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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Germano CARONNI et al.

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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR
FACILITATING RELOCATION OF
DEVICES ON A NETWORK

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AMENDMENT

In reply to the Office Action dated January 22, 2003, please amend the
application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1-3, 5, 8-10, 12, and 21 as follows:

1. (Amended) A method in a distributed system for communicating in a network with a source node and a destination node, the method comprising the steps of:
- accessing an address of the destination node by the source node, wherein the source node and the destination node are programs;
 - sending a first packet by the source node to the destination node by using the accessed address;
 - receiving the first packet by the destination node at the accessed address of the destination node;

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